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BACK LIGHT DEVICE WITH DIFFUSING SHEET FOR A LIQUID CRYSTAL DISPLAY APPARATUS (As Amended)

> LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a response to the outstanding Official Action in the above-identified patent application. The shortened statutory period having expired April 14, 2002, an extension of time for a period of one month is hereby requested. Attached hereto is our Check No. 130655 in the amount of \$110.00 in payment for:

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